By His Excellency William Livingston Esquire
Governor, Captain General and Commander in Chief in and
over the State of New Jersey and Territories thereunto belonging
Chancellor and Ordinary in the same

To Charles Pettit Esquire Greeting

Reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Integrity
Learning and Ability I have thought fit to constitute and appoint
And I do by these presents constitute and appoint you the said
Charles Pettit Principal Surrogate of the Ordinary's or Prerogative
Court of the State of New Jersey Giving and by these presents granting
unto you full Power and Authority in my Stead and Place to Prove and Enjoin the Probates of
Wills and Testaments, to admit Administrations on the Estates of Persons dying Intestate: and to
administer the Oaths and Affirmations to Executors and Administrators, and their Accounts to state
examine and approve allow and discharge, and Quietus est thereupon to give and grant: and generally
to do execute and perform all such Acts and Things as to the said Office of Principal Surrogate doth
belong and appertain: Saving and reserving nevertheless, as Ordinary of the said State, the final
Judicial Power in controverted Cases according to the Usage and Custom in the said State. Hereby giving
and granting unto you the said Charles Pettit the said Office of Principal Surrogate of the State of
New Jersey, with all Fees Perquisites Emoluments Profits and Advantages to the same belonging or
appertaining or that of Right ought to belong and appertain to the same according to Custom and
Usage, you being accountable to me or to the Governor or Commander in Chief of this State for the
Time being, for the Seals affixed in the said Office. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my Hand and caused the Prerogative Seal of the State to be Affixed at Princeton the fifth day of
September in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and seventy six.

Wil. Livingston

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